Mickle
To
Cook

This Indenture made and entered into this the 10th day of June AD 1861 between John Mickle of the County of Shelby of the one part and Walter Cook of the County of Talladega of the second part both of the State of Alabama Witnesseth that whereas the said Walter Cook has endorsed for the said John Mickle three several bills of Exchange drawn by the said John Mickle one of said bills being drawn on the 10 day of December 1860 on R P Hancock in favour of said Walter Cook and payable by said Hancock and endorsed by said Walter Cook said bill being payable twenty days after date and being for the sum of Eight hundred ~~dollars~~ and sixty Eight & 97/100 Dollars another one of said bills was drawn by said John Mickle in favour of said Walter Cook on M L Wilson and payable by said Wilson and endorsed by said Walter Cook said bill being date 24 Nov 1860 and payable twenty days after date for the sum of Eight hundred and Sixty Eight & 97/100 Dollars

The other of said Bill of Exchange being drawn by the said John McMickle in favour of said Walter Cook and Wm. S. Chapman accepted by said Chapman and Endorsed by the said Walter Cook and bill when discounted the last mentioned sum also for the sum of Eighteen hundred and Sixty Eight and 97/100 dollars which matured for non payment at maturity and now the property of Fanny Stell Talladega County who has instituted suits in the Circuit Court of Talladega County on Each of said bills and against the same all parties thereto the said Cook was merely an accommodation endorser on said bills of Exchange and the said John McMickle being desirous to screen and save the said Walter Cook against all liability as endorser on said several bills of Exchange therefore this indenture Witnesseth that the said John McMickle as well for the purpose of securing the said endorser and in consideration of saving him from the payment of said bills of Exchange as the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid at and before the sealing hereof the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath this day granted bargained sold and Conveyed and by these presents doth grant bargain sell and Convey unto the said Walter Cook his heirs and assigns the following described property to wit One Negro man Champion about thirty years of age his wife Chloe about twenty four years of age and their two children one four and the other two years of age One Negro Man Jac about twenty four years old & One Negro Woman Sallie about 35 years old — — — In trust nevertheless that if the said John McMickle shall on or by the day of 1862 pay off and discharge the said bills of Exchange or the suits brought on the judgments that may be obtained thereon so as to release the said Cook from all liability on account of his endorsement of said bills then this deed to be void but if the said McMickle shall fail to pay off said bills with the interest thereon costs of suit & by that date then and in that event the said Walter Cook may take possession of said property and after giving twenty days notice by advertisement in the same manner that Sheriffs are required by law to advertise property of this description shall proceed to sell the same to the highest bidder for Cash and shall with the proceeds pay off and discharge the outstanding sums on said bills of Exchange or the liability

of said book as the endorser of said bills or his heirs or
assigns from the said bank brought thereon and all
interest and costs thereon and the costs & expense of
this deed and the remainder if any shall be paid
over to the said John M. Mickle or his order
It is understood and agreed that the said John M.
Mickle shall retain the possession of said property
until he make default when he shall deliver
the same up to said Walter Cook or Taylor Witness
our hands and seals the day and date above
written

John M. Mickle (Seal)

The State of Alabama
Shelby County I John McClanahan Judge
of the Probate Court in and for said County hereby
certify that John M. Mickle whose name is signed
to the foregoing Conveyance and who is known to me
acknowledged before me on this day that being
informed of the contents of the Conveyance he
executed the same voluntarily on the day the same
bears date given under my hand this 29 day of
July AD 1861 John McClanahan Judge of Probate
Filed and Recorded 27 July 1861 John McClanahan
Judge